

**MINUTES OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON
TAX POLICY**

Wednesday, February 27, 2008

10:30 A.M.

Room 519 House Office Building

Chairman Bieda called the meeting to order.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Reps. Bieda, Condino, Farrah, Robert Jones, Mayes, Meisner, Melton, Sheltrown, Warren, Young, Meltzer, Sheen, Palmer, Wenke, Calley. (15/17)

MEMBERS ABSENT/EXCUSED: Reps. Steil, Pastor. (2/17)

Representative Meltzer moved to adopt the minutes from the February 20, 2008 meeting. There being no objection, the minutes were approved.

Representative Condino moved to excuse absent members. There being no objection, absent members were excused.

Chairman Bieda laid **HB 5459** before the committee.

HB 5459 Mayes Economic development; commercial redevelopment; eligibility; expand to include certain vacant or blighted properties.

Representative Jeff Mayes, sponsor of the legislation, testified before the committee.

Steve Black, representing the City of Bay City, testified before the committee in support of **HB 5459**.

Tom Hickson, representing the Michigan Association of Counties, testified before the committee in support of **HB 5459** in concept.

Marilyn Plummer, representing the Michigan Assessors Association, testified before the committee in opposition to **HB 5459** as introduced.

Andy Schor, representing the Michigan Municipal League, testified before the committee on **HB 5459**.

Scott Schrager, representing the Michigan Department of Treasury, turned in a testimony card in support of **HB 5459** but did not wish to speak.

Representative Condino moved to adopt the **(H-2) substitute** to **HB 5459**.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

YEAS: Reps. Bieda, Condino, Farrah, Robert Jones, Mayes, Meisner, Melton, Sheltroun, Warren, Young, Meltzer, Sheen, Palmer, Wenke, Calley. (15/17)

NAYS: None. (0/17)

PASS: None. (0/17)

A sufficient number of members voting in the affirmative, the motion prevailed.

Representative Meltzer moved to report **HB 5459** as an **(H-2) substitute**, with recommendation.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

YEAS: Reps. Bieda, Condino, Farrah, Robert Jones, Mayes, Meisner, Melton, Sheltroun, Warren, Young, Meltzer, Sheen, Palmer, Wenke, Calley. (15/17)

NAYS: None. (0/17)

PASS: None. (0/17)

A sufficient number of members voting in the affirmative, the motion prevailed.

Chairman Bieda laid **HB 5723** before the committee.

HB 5723 Bieda Business tax; other; credit for contributions to individual or family development accounts; allow.

Chairman Bieda, sponsor of the legislation, testified before the committee.

Jim Smock, representing the Michigan Credit Union League, testified before the committee in support of **HB 5723**.

Larry Steckelberg, representing the Michigan Department of Treasury, turned in a testimony card in support of **HB 5459** but did not wish to speak.

Representative Meltzer moved to report **HB 5723** with recommendation.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

YEAS: Reps. Bieda, Condino, Farrah, Robert Jones, Mayes, Meisner, Melton, Sheltroun, Warren, Young, Meltzer, Sheen, Palmer, Wenke, Calley. (15/17)

NAYS: None. (0/17)

PASS: None. (0/17)

A sufficient number of members voting in the affirmative, the motion prevailed.

There being no further business before the committee, **Chairman Bieda** declared the meeting adjourned, the time being **11:05 a.m.**